

URBANA HIGH SCHOOL IB Student Showcase & Auction



Urbana High School to Host the FCPS International Baccalaureate Program Student Showcase Thursday, February 28, 2019, from 6 until 8 pm

(Ijamsville, MD – February 14, 2019) - On Thursday, February 28, juniors and seniors in Frederick County's International Baccalaureate (IB) program will welcome guests from across the region for the IB Showcase, a special program of instrumental performances, visual arts, and original research projects. The event, to be held from 6 until 8 pm at Urbana High School, will also include a silent auction.

Urbana High School houses the county's only IB Program, one of the best pre-college programs offered by Frederick County Public Schools (FCPS). The highly competitive academic program admits promising students from across the county, regardless of feeder area. The annual IB Showcase is a terrific opportunity for middle school students from across Frederick County to learn more about the IB Program and all that it offers.

The annual event presents students' best work in several disciplines: Art, Music, English, Science, Economics, Math, and History. The entire community is welcome to enjoy an evening featuring FCPS students at their best. Light refreshments will be served.

A **Silent Auction** will be held concurrently. Organized by the International Baccalaureate Advisory Council (IBAC), proceeds from the auction will support IB students and help to defray costs associated with the program. In past years, auction items have included gift cards to local restaurants, theater and orchestra tickets, tours and wine tasting at local vineyards, learn-to-ski and learn-to-snowboard packages, passes for family outdoor adventures, and more.

About the IB Program: Urbana High's IB program is a rigorous, two-year, pre-university course of study in which students "learn how to learn." The program emphasizes analysis and critical thinking, encouraging students to arrive at thoughtful, considered conclusions. More than 4,000 schools worldwide teach the IB curricula, stressing students' personal development while challenging them to excel in their studies. Schools authorized to offer IB programs are known as IB World Schools (http://www.ibo.org).

For more information about the **IB Showcase** or the program at Urbana High School, please contact the Urbana IB Office (240-236-7748) or visit the school website (http://education.fcps.org/uhs).